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- A civilian employee working aboard the USS Miami submarine in Kittery, Maine, was charged with setting a fire that heavily damaged the vessel in May and a second near it in June, Navy investigators said. – *Associated Press* (See item [7](#))
- A third bomb threat targeted the Ambassador Bridge July 21, according to a call made to the FBI. The FBI did not treat the threat as credible and determined it was not necessary to close down the bridge. – *Windsor Star* (See item [12](#))
- Cargill Beef recalled almost 30,000 pounds of ground beef July 22. The meat may be contaminated with Salmonella Enteritidis (SE) and associated with an ongoing multiple State outbreak of SE. – *Food Safety News* (See item [13](#))
- Demonstrators stormed a police department in Orange County, California, July 22 to protest an officer-involved shooting that left an unarmed man dead and led to a violent clash between witnesses and police. – *Associated Press* (See item [31](#))
- The man accused of going on a shooting rampage that killed 12 people at a movie premiere appeared in court in Colorado July 23. According to police, his apartment was filled with trip wires, explosive devices, and unknown liquids. – *Associated Press* (See item [42](#))

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## Energy Sector

1. *July 23, Fuel Fix* – (National; International) **Report says offshore industry falls short on key safety monitoring.** After the lethal explosion at BP’s Texas City refinery that killed 15 workers in 2005, the oil industry boosted safety at industrial operations on land but never made the same improvements offshore, according to federal investigators meeting in Houston the week of July 23. The Chemical Safety Board (CSB) is set to conclude that the offshore drilling sector’s focus on monitoring individual worker injuries — while ignoring bigger warning signs of “process safety” problems that could lead to emergencies — set the stage for the Deepwater Horizon disaster. The independent federal agency is reviewing the industry’s long-term response to the Texas City refinery explosion in a hearing July 23. July 24, the board is set to release preliminary findings of its investigation into the 2010 Deepwater Horizon disaster that killed 11 workers and launched the nation’s worst oil spill. The CSB, which has probed more than 50 industrial accidents, does not issue citations. It makes safety recommendations to plants, labor groups, and regulators.  
Source: <http://fuelfix.com/blog/2012/07/23/chemical-safety-board-offshore-industry-falls-short-on-key-safety-monitoring/>
2. *July 23, Green Bay Press-Gazette* – (Wisconsin) **Pipeline repaired; fuel flow to area resumes.** The flow of gasoline and other fuel to the Green Bay, Wisconsin area resumed July 21, after regulators approved the repairs that were made to a pipeline that ruptured earlier the week of July 16 near Milwaukee. “West Shore Pipe Line Co. has completed repairs to a section of its pipeline near Jackson, Wisconsin. After successfully testing the integrity of the system and receiving regulatory approval, company operators safely restarted the pipeline at approximately 8 p.m. EDT, Saturday, July 21, and normal operations have resumed,” a spokesman said. July 20, the pipeline had truckers waiting 2 to 3 hours for gasoline at distant supply stations to get fuel to the Green Bay area. The pipeline, owned by West Shore Pipe Line Co. of Chicago, was shut down July 17 after rupturing and leaking north of Milwaukee. The 10-inch

pipeline normally transports gasoline, jet fuel, and diesel to Green Bay terminals where truckers fill their tanks.

Source:

<http://centralwisconsinhub.wausaudailyherald.com/article/20120721/GPG0101/307210215/Pipeline-repaired-fuel-flow-to-area-resumes?odyssey=tab|mostpopular|text|FRONTPAGE>

3. *July 20, Detroit News; Associated Press* – (Michigan) **Fuel valves, vents plugged on barge that sank in Lake Huron.** July 20, the Coast Guard said crews plugged all fuel valves and vents on a barge that sank in stormy Lake Huron near Detroit July 19, preventing more fuel from being released into the water. Emergency crews were able to get four of the six vents closed in the hours following the sinking of the 110-foot dredging barge Arthur J. Efforts to secure the remaining valves were aided by calmer conditions. The Arthur J carried up to 2,000 gallons of fuel when it sank, but crews placed 800 feet of absorbent boom around the accident site. The tugboat Madison, along with the Arthur J, went down roughly 5 miles northwest of the mouth of the St. Clair River. A roughly 1 mile by 2 mile area of Lake Huron, stretching south from the site, was tainted by diesel. Late in the day, Coast Guard officials reported a diesel sheen reached the shore at Lakeport State Beach. According to the ships' owner, rough weather may have overwhelmed the dredging barge, sinking it and taking a tugboat down in the lake.

Source:

<http://www.detroitnews.com/article/20120720/METRO/207200390/1409/METRO/Fuel-valves-vents-plugged-barge-sank-Lake-Huron>

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## **Chemical Industry Sector**

Nothing to report

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## **Nuclear Reactors, Materials and Waste Sector**

4. *July 23, Berkeley Patch* – (New Jersey) **Oyster Creek offline after electrical service disrupted, unusual event declared.** Electrical service to approximately 22,000 Ocean County, New Jersey residents and the Oyster Creek Generating Station was restored after it was temporarily disrupted, causing plant officials to take the reactor offline July 23. An unusual event was declared and then terminated 2 hours after Jersey Central Power and Light (JCPL) crews corrected the issue, a news release said. A Nuclear Regulatory Commission spokesman said the loss of power appeared to have resulted from an electrical fault with the 230-kilovolt line that provides power to the plant. Diesel generators supplied power to the plant during the outage. The reactor was being put into cold shutdown to perform checks and tests. JCPL confirmed the power outage

impacted thousands of Ocean County residents in parts of Lacey, Waretown, Barnegat, and Berkeley Township. All power was restored after about 3 hours. The root cause was still under investigation.

Source: <http://berkeley-nj.patch.com/articles/oyster-creek-offline-after-electrical-service-disrupted-896a5c27>

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## **Critical Manufacturing Sector**

5. *July 23, Detroit News* – (National) **NHTSA investigates Jeep Grand Cherokees, Dodge Ram 1500s.** The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) is opening 2 new investigations into more than 335,000 Chrysler vehicles — including reports that 2 new Jeep Grand Cherokee sport utility vehicles (SUV) have caught fire, Detroit News reported July 23. The agency said it opened preliminary investigations into 106,803 2012 Jeep Grand Cherokee SUVs over leaking power steering fluid hoses and 230,000 2009-10 Dodge Ram 1500 pickup trucks over reported wheel failures. The NHTSA said it received reports of two fires in Jeep Grand Cherokees since May and a third report of leaking power steering fluid causing a loss of power steering. The fires may be the result of faulty power steering hoses that is allowing steering fluid to leak onto hot surfaces in the engine compartment, NHTSA said. In one fire, an owner said he saw leaking power steering fluid in his driveway before the Jeep caught fire.

Source:

<http://www.detroitnews.com/article/20120723/AUTO0101/207230367/1361/NHTSA-investigates-Jeep-Grand-Cherokees--Dodge-Ram-1500s>

6. *July 22, Associated Press* – (National; International) **Ford Escape recall linked to manufacturing problem.** A manufacturing problem at a company that makes fuel lines forced Ford to recall thousands of its brand-new Escape small sport utility vehicles (SUV) due to the risk of engine fires, the Associated Press reported July 22. The company said fuel lines were “mechanically scored” or damaged on the outside during manufacturing. The lines, made by a TI Group Automotive Systems plant in Indiana, can split when pushed over a connector fitting, and leaking fuel could ignite. The recall involved 11,500 Escapes in the U.S. and Canada equipped with 1.6-liter, four-cylinder engines.

Source: <http://www.staceypageonline.com/2012/07/22/ford-escape-recall-linked-to-manufacturing-problem/>

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## **Defense Industrial Base Sector**

7. *July 23, Associated Press* – (Maine) **Civilian worker charged with setting both fires aboard, near submarine in Maine shipyard.** Navy investigators said a civilian employee working as a painter and sandblaster aboard the USS Miami submarine at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard in Kittery, Maine, was charged with setting a fire that heavily damaged the vessel in May and a second near it in June. In a complaint filed

July 23 in federal court in Maine, the Naval Criminal Investigative Service said the man was charged with two counts of arson involving the submarine. The submarine has been in dry dock for an overhaul at the shipyard. Court documents indicate the man was assigned to do paint stripping in the torpedo room. He first denied involvement in the fires, then later admitted involvement. He was scheduled for a court appearance July 23. Estimates put the damage to the submarine at \$400 million.

Source: [http://www.washingtonpost.com/national/civilian-worker-charged-with-setting-both-fires-aboard-near-submarine-in-maine-shipyard/2012/07/23/gJQAfBgO4W\\_story.html](http://www.washingtonpost.com/national/civilian-worker-charged-with-setting-both-fires-aboard-near-submarine-in-maine-shipyard/2012/07/23/gJQAfBgO4W_story.html)

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## **Banking and Finance Sector**

8. *July 22, Bloomberg News* – (National) **Ex-BofA executive indicted for fraud in municipal bond probe.** A former Bank of America executive was indicted for allegedly participating in what prosecutors said was a “far-reaching conspiracy” to defraud municipal bond investments through bid rigging, Bloomberg reported July 22. The former head of Bank of America’s municipal derivatives desk was charged with conspiracy to defraud the United States, wire fraud, and conspiracy to make false entries in bank records. Bank of America, which self-reported the illegal activity, has been cooperating for more than 4 years with Justice Department prosecutors who said bankers paid kickbacks to CDR Financial Products to rig bids on investment contracts sold to local governments. From 1998 until 2006, the former executive allegedly conspired with CDR Financial Products to increase the number of and profitability of investment agreements and municipal finance contracts that went to the bank, according to the indictment. He won auctions for the investment contracts after other banks submitted intentionally losing bids, the government said. He then disguised kickbacks to CDR as fees on unrelated transactions. So far, 13 individuals from banks including Bank of America, JPMorgan Chase and Co., and UBS AG pleaded guilty in the Justice Department’s investigation. Bank of America, JPMorgan, UBS, Wells Fargo and Co., and General Electric Co. paid more than \$700 million in restitution and penalties.

Source: <http://www.sfgate.com/business/bloomberg/article/Ex-BofA-Executive-Indicted-for-Fraud-in-Municipal-3723794.php>

9. *July 20, Redding Record Searchlight* – (California; Nevada) **Three plead guilty to federal securities fraud in Redding-based investment scheme.** Three people pleaded guilty in federal court July 20 to securities fraud in an investment scheme that was based in Shasta County, California, and cost investors approximately \$36.2 million. The defendants were indicted August 22, 2007, for a fraud scheme that involved life settlement insurance contracts or viaticals. From 2001 until 2006, two of the conspirators misrepresented and omitted information when selling the life settlement insurance contracts to investors. The pair told investors the investments were safe, secure, and risk-free, and investors were guaranteed high rates of return. As a result of their fraud, investors lost at least \$18.4 million. Also according to court documents, between 2001 and 2004, another conspirator sold bonds that purportedly guaranteed

investors would not lose their money. However, the bonding company he ran was a shell company and the bonds were not legitimate. None of the bonds were honored. As a result of his fraud, investors lost at least \$17.8 million.

Source: <http://www.redding.com/news/2012/jul/20/three-plead-guilty-to-federal-securities-fraud/>

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## **Transportation Sector**

10. *July 23, WFTS 29 Tampa* – (Florida) **Charter bus catches on fire on I-4 in Auburndale.** The eastbound lanes of Interstate 4 near Auburndale, Florida, were temporarily shut down due to a charter bus fire, but were later reopened, WFTS 29 Tampa reported July 23. Traffic was diverted onto SR 570 while emergency crews were working. Visible flames could be seen at the back of the bus, but firefighters quickly doused the blaze. Officials said only the driver was in the bus, and the cause was an engine fire. The driver was taken to a medical center with minor injuries, but he was not injured as a result of the fire.  
Source: [http://www.abcactionnews.com/dpp/news/region\\_polk/i-4-eb-closed-due-to-charter-bus-fire-traffic-diverted-to-sr-570](http://www.abcactionnews.com/dpp/news/region_polk/i-4-eb-closed-due-to-charter-bus-fire-traffic-diverted-to-sr-570)
11. *July 23, Associated Press* – (Texas) **Nobody hurt in 7-car-derailment in north Texas.** Repair crews were working to reopen a north Texas rail line that closed following a seven-car derailment. A BNSF Railway spokesman said the line near Krum was expected to reopen July 23 following the July 22 derailment. He said the cars that derailed were hauling sand and some of the load spilled. He said BNSF investigators were trying to determine what caused the southbound train to derail. The freight train was traveling from Tulsa, Oklahoma, to Fort Worth.  
Source: <http://www.kltv.com/story/19088837/nobody-hurt-in-7-car-derailment-in-north-texas>
12. *July 22, Windsor Star* – (Michigan; International) **Third bomb threat at Ambassador Bridge.** A third bomb threat hit the Ambassador Bridge July 21. Windsor, Ontario police said they were notified by customs officials that the call was made to the FBI. The phone number was the same one that called in a bomb threat for the Ambassador Bridge July 18. “The call was received by the FBI. Same as last time,” said a Windsor police staff sergeant. The FBI did not treat the threat as credible and determined it was not necessary to close down the bridge. This was the seventh bomb threat to hit the Windsor-Detroit area in just over a week. Threats were made at the Windsor-Detroit Tunnel, the Cobo Center, Comerica Park, the new site of The Windsor Star in downtown Windsor, and two others at the Ambassador Bridge.  
Source: <http://blogs.windsorstar.com/2012/07/22/third-bomb-threat-at-ambassador-bridge/>

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## Agriculture and Food Sector

13. *July 23, Food Safety News* – (National) **Cargill recalls fresh beef after 7-State Salmonella outbreak sickens 33.** July 22, Cargill Beef recalled almost 30,000 pounds of 85 percent lean, fresh, ground beef, produced by the company in Wyalusing, Pennsylvania, May 25. The meat may be contaminated with Salmonella Enteritidis (SE) associated with an ongoing multiple State outbreak of SE. The U.S. Department of Agriculture’s Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) said it became aware of the the problem “during the course of an ongoing investigation of a multi-State outbreak of Salmonella Enteritidis involving 33 case-patients from 7 states (MA, ME, NH, NY, RI, VA, and VT.)” Hannaford Stores in those States were named as a retail outlet for that meat by the FSIS. Cargill contacted its customers to ensure they know which of their ground beef products were affected by this recall.  
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2012/07/cargill-recalls-30000-pounds-of-fresh-ground-beef/>
14. *July 22, Associated Press* – (National) **Wis. officials warn against livestock from NM.** The State of Wisconsin advised against the importing of livestock from certain parts of New Mexico after a viral disease was found in horses there, the Associated Press reported July 22. The disease is vesicular stomatitis, or VS. It resembles Foot-and-Mouth, primarily affecting horses, cattle, swine, and occasionally sheep and goats. The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection advised against importing livestock from New Mexico without first checking to see if they are coming from a VS designated area in New Mexico. Wisconsin joined several other States who added requirements to the import of livestock from the affected and surrounding counties of New Mexico.  
Source:  
<http://www.marshfieldnewsherald.com/viewart/20120722/MNH0101/120722021/Wis-officials-warn-against-livestock-from-NM?odyssey=mod|newswell|text|MNH-News/s>
15. *July 22, Ledyard Patch* – (Connecticut) **Emerald ash borer discovered in Connecticut.** A species of tree-killing beetle found its way into western Connecticut, a situation that puts millions of hardwood trees at risk in the State. The State’s Department of Energy and Environmental Protection announced July 22 that the emerald ash borer was detected in Prospect by staff with the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, which has been testing for the beetle. This was the first record of the insect in Connecticut, and brings to 15 the number of States where infestations have occurred. Another probable site of infestation was found in the Naugatuck State Forest but was unconfirmed. The emerald ash borer was responsible for the death and decline of tens of millions of ash trees from the mid-west to New York State and south to Tennessee.



- Source: <http://ledyard.patch.com/articles/emerald-ash-borer-discovered-in-connecticut-ef78f037>
16. *July 21, Food Safety News* – (International) **Undeclared milk brings cookie recall in Canada.** The Canadian Food Inspection Agency and TWI Foods Inc. warned people with allergies to milk not to consume the Crispy Just Baked Punjabi Cookies, Food Safety News reported July 21. The affected product contains milk which is not declared on the label. This product was distributed throughout Canada.  
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2012/07/undeclared-milk-brings-cookie-recall-in-canada/>
  17. *July 21, U.S. Food and Drug Administration* – (National) **Wellements LLC recalls Baby Move Prune Concentrate because of possible health risk.** Wellements LLC issued a voluntary recall of Baby Move Prune Concentrate liquid dietary supplement because the supplier of one of the ingredients used in the product indicated the ingredient has the potential to be contaminated with Salmonella, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration reported July 20. Wellements Baby Move Prune Concentrate was distributed from January to July nationwide through retail stores and online retailers.  
Source: <http://www.fda.gov/Safety/Recalls/ucm312991.htm>
  18. *July 20, Food Safety News* – (New York) **Fresh cheese recalled for improper pasteurization.** A New York company voluntarily recalled a Columbian-style cheese product because it was made with milk that was not properly pasteurized, Food Safety News reported July 20. Glendale, New York-based Productos Tita Corp issued the recall after a milk inspector from the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets visited its cheese plant June 17 and found that proper pasteurization procedures were not being followed. The recalled fresh cheese product was sold in the metropolitan New York area. The cheese products subject to this recall were labeled “Quesito Colombiano Colombian Cheese.”  
Source: <http://www.foodsafetynews.com/2012/07/fresh-cheese-recalled-for-improper-pasteurization/>
  19. *July 20, Associated Press* – (Wisconsin) **Ammonia leak prompts evacuation in Fond du Lac.** An ammonia leak at a milk processor forced an evacuation in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, July 20. The fire chief said the leak was reported at Milk Specialties. Firefighters arrived to find employees were evacuating. Fire crews smelled ammonia outside. Several residents were evacuated as a precaution. Members of the Fond du Lac hazardous materials team tested air quality outside and inside the plant. The fire chief said a seal failed on an ammonia tank compressor, activating an automatic pressure relief valve. Once the air was declared safe, workers went back into the plant to repair the machine.  
Source: <http://www.620wtmj.com/news/local/163259456.html>
  20. *July 20, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel* – (Wisconsin; Midwest) **Heat wave kills more than 1,000 dairy calves.** More than 1,000 dairy calves throughout the Midwest died during the past 2-3 weeks as a result of heat stress, Wisconsin State officials said July 20. Half of the more than two dozen herds of dairy cows struck by the heat stress



deaths were in Wisconsin, though the exact number of deaths in the State had not been determined, said a spokeswoman with the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection. The Wisconsin calves were housed in outdoor calve hutches with no shade, according to a news release from the agency.

Source: <http://www.jsonline.com/news/wisconsin/heat-wave-kills-more-than-1000-dairy-calves-9h66soj-163251676.html>

21. *July 20, Associated Press* – (California) **40 cows dead after big-rig overturns in Calif.** Forty dairy cows are dead after the animals shifted the weight in a trailer and toppled a big-rig at an intersection in southern California. The Riverside Press-Enterprise said 110 cows survived the July 20 accident that shut down a San Jacinto intersection for 6 hours. The big-rig was hauling cows to a desert dairy in Brawley from a San Jacinto dairy. Investigators said the tractor-trailer rig was making a left turn when it overturned. Riverside County sheriff's investigators said the movement of cows inside the trailer as the truck attempted to turn appeared to have caused the truck to overturn.

Source: <http://www.miamiherald.com/2012/07/20/2904380/40-cows-dead-after-big-rig-overturns.html>

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## **Water Sector**

22. *July 23, Philadelphia Inquirer* – (Pennsylvania) **Water main break causes evacuations, sinkhole.** Clean-up operations for a major water main break in the Southwest Center City neighborhood of Philadelphia were disrupted July 23 when a gas line broke, apparently under the weight of collapsing asphalt. Firefighters hooked hoses up to hydrants in the area around South 21st and Bainbridge Streets as PGW crews worked to close the gas main. The major water main break near 21st and Bainbridge Streets July 22 forced the evacuation of several blocks of residents — some by boat — and left a cleanup job that could continue for days, city officials said. July 23, the intersection was “gone,” turned into a “rather large sinkhole,” a city water department spokesman said. The gas leak in the sinkhole forced water department crews to suspend work while the fire department took over, he said. After about 3 hours, the gas leak was fixed.

Source:

[http://www.philly.com/philly/news/20120723\\_Gas\\_leak\\_disrupts\\_water\\_main\\_break\\_cleanup.html](http://www.philly.com/philly/news/20120723_Gas_leak_disrupts_water_main_break_cleanup.html)

23. *July 20, Watertown Examiner* – (New York) **Star Lake rescinds State of Emergency declaration.** The Fine, New York town supervisor rescinded the State of Emergency he declared July 16. The State of Emergency was declared because the Village of Star Lake water system suffered a severe and sudden drop in pressure July 14. The village water supply was augmented by using a fire truck from the Star Lake Volunteer Fire Department while the town searched for a water leak that may have caused the sudden drop in pressure. A leak was found and repaired. The declaration placed water usage restrictions on the population of Star Lake. Additionally, the St. Lawrence County

Department of Emergency Services working with New York State Department of Emergency Management provided a 5,000 gallon water tanker filled with potable water. All of St. Lawrence County is in a State of Emergency declared by the governor in response to the severe storms that swept through the area July 17 damaging houses, disrupting power, and closing businesses. Recovery efforts from that storm are continuing.

Source: <http://www.examiner.com/article/star-lake-rescinds-state-of-emergency-declaration>

24. *July 20, Associated Press* – (New Mexico) **NM fuel spill threatens Albuquerque water supply.** More than 12 years after the toxin-laden plume from a 40-year underground jet fuel pipe leak was discovered at Kirtland Air Force Base, estimates of its size and its threat to the water supply of Albuquerque, New Mexico, keep growing, the Associated Press reported July 20. Less than half a million gallons have been pumped out of the ground, the Air Force is 2 years away from finalizing a cleanup plan, and local officials are still arguing about whether the spill is something they need to get involved with. “We’re pretty soon going to be swimming in this stuff,” a Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Board member said at a recent hearing held shortly after the New Mexico Department of Environment (NMED) acknowledged the size of the spill could be as much as 24 million gallons, or three times previous estimates. Although no one can really say how soon the plume might hit well fields, other board members remain confident the cleanup is in good hands. One of the city’s key wells in the Ridgecrest field is 2 miles from the original spill site but less than two-thirds of a mile from what is now estimated to be the plume’s leading edge. “It is simply not knowable,” said the head of the resource protection division at NMED, which has been designated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to oversee cleanup.

Source:

<http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5ijbBylgfC3R2zztKQRanbPz6yYTQ?docId=77d91bb00b3640b5ba98f9f50c7e4d4a>

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## **Public Health and Healthcare Sector**

25. *July 23, York News-Times* – (Nebraska) **Man takes gun, knife into Henderson hospital.** The sheriff of York County, Nebraska, said a man was taken into custody after he walked into the emergency room at the Henderson Hospital armed with a gun and knife July 21 “apparently angry with one of the doctors.” He threatened a nurse that was on duty and said he was going to harm the doctor. When the man learned the doctor was not present, he wanted to know where the doctor lived. The hospital made contact with the sheriff’s department and deputies responded immediately. Once officers were able to get the weapons away from him, the sheriff placed the man into emergency protective custody, as is commonly done when someone is experiencing a mental episode or expressing suicidal tendencies.

Source: [http://www.yorknewstimes.com/news/man-takes-gun-knife-into-henderson-hospital/article\\_93167300-d42b-11e1-949f-001a4bcf887a.html](http://www.yorknewstimes.com/news/man-takes-gun-knife-into-henderson-hospital/article_93167300-d42b-11e1-949f-001a4bcf887a.html)

26. *July 21, Boston Globe* – (Massachusetts) **Laptop theft may affect 3,900 Beth Israel patients.** About 3,900 Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center patients in Boston were sent letters alerting them that some of their personal health information may have been breached after a physician's personal laptop computer was stolen from a hospital office, hospital officials said July 20. The theft occurred May 22, and the stolen laptop, which contained a tracking device, has not been recovered. Police were notified and a suspect was arrested in the case. The hospital hired a national forensic firm to investigate whether data were compromised, and it found no indication that any information had been misused. Beth Israel Deaconess routinely protects information on company-issued computers by encrypting the material with software, but in this case the stolen laptop was the physician's personal device that was used for some office work. The event prompted an immediate policy change at the hospital. "We have said to our employees that there is now a mandatory encryption program. So any device that is used in any way with our data, whether it is patient-related or administrative, it must be encrypted," said the hospital's chief information officer. "We are creating depots where employees bring in their devices and we will encrypt them on their behalf," he said. "We will ensure that it has appropriate antivirus protection and up-to-date software patches." The 6,000 employees at the hospital's Longwood-area medical campus own an estimated 1,500 personal electronic devices that might be used for work. The process of encrypting is expected to take about 3 months.

Source: <http://bostonglobe.com/lifestyle/health-wellness/2012/07/20/patient-information-may-have-been-breached-after-laptop-stolen-beth-israel-deaconess/JobJhtGnm7C8z0QthhG5SP/story.html>

27. *July 21, WLTX 19 Columbia* – (South Carolina) **Suspect in custody in 5 points standoff.** Police in Columbia, South Carolina, took a suspect into custody in connection with a 2 hour standoff inside a Rite Aid pharmacy July 21. Police said the man told an employee of the store that he had an explosive device inside a bag. Columbia police's SWAT team, bomb squad, and the Columbia Fire Department all responded to the scene. When SWAT team members went inside the store they found the suspect passed out. Investigators said they believe he never had a device. Police said he will be charged with communicating a threat with a weapon of mass destruction and armed robbery. During the standoff, employees and customers were outside, leaving the suspect as the only person inside the store. During the incident, stores across from and next to the Rite Aid were evacuated and streets surrounding the store were shut down.

Source: <http://www.wltx.com/news/article/194919/2/Bomb-Squad-Responds-to-Columbias-Five-Points->

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## **Government Facilities Sector**

28. *July 21, Associated Press* – (Colorado) **Campus research buildings evacuated after shooting.** Police evacuated two research buildings July 20 at the University of

Colorado-Denver Anschutz Medical Campus where the suspect in the Colorado shootings was a graduate student. The University of Colorado-Denver Police chief sent a campus-wide email ordering all non-essential personnel to leave the campus or stay home, following the shooting at a nearby movie theater July 20 in Aurora. The campus evacuation order was in effect until the morning of July 21. Until recently, the suspected shooter studied neuroscience at the University of Colorado-Denver graduate school. The police chief said the suspect's building access was terminated in June and he was in the process of completing withdrawal paperwork.

Source:

[http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5gLxFFxqUHSdTNn\\_B2hYNNY1ob9Sg?docId=3490bae8214748399c7e94511fc5b2e2](http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5gLxFFxqUHSdTNn_B2hYNNY1ob9Sg?docId=3490bae8214748399c7e94511fc5b2e2)

29. *July 20, Nextgov* – (National) **Agencies to dole out new hardware keys for secret networks.** The Pentagon is helping civilian agencies block access to federal classified networks by anyone who does not have a new smart card, military officials announced July 19. During a closed-door U.S. House of Representatives committee hearing earlier in the day, the Secretary of Defense briefed lawmakers on the action — part of a new top-down agenda to prevent the exposure of government secrets. Defense Department officials already announced the ongoing distribution of the new tokens military employees will need to enter the Secret Internet Protocol Router Network, which handles the military's classified data. The policy announced July 19 states, "department personnel are working with other federal departments and agencies to help them issue the same cyber identity credential to all employees who need to access any of the government's secret networks."

Source: <http://www.nextgov.com/cybersecurity/2012/07/agencies-dole-out-new-hardware-keys-secret-networks/56907/>

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## **Emergency Services Sector**

30. *July 23, Portland Press Herald* – (Maine) **Jammed radio transmissions hamper rescuers at crash scene.** Eleven people were injured when four vehicles collided July 22 on Route 202 in East Lebanon, Maine. Rescuers were hampered by what they said were intentionally jammed radio transmissions during emergency calls to mount a response to the accident. Although no one suffered a life-threatening injury, several people were hospitalized and the road was shut down for more than an hour. Lebanon's assistant rescue chief said someone jammed radio transmissions during the call, an illegal activity he said will be investigated by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). This was not the first time emergency communications were jammed in York County. The assistant rescue chief filed a complaint with the FCC in April after several jamming incidents over the previous few months. Federal regulators said they would investigate and prosecute the responsible party, and FCC officials have been driving randomly through the area at times since then, trying to trace the jamming transmissions.

Source: [http://www.pressherald.com/news/jammed-radio-transmissions-hamper-rescuers-at-crash-scene\\_2012-07-23.html](http://www.pressherald.com/news/jammed-radio-transmissions-hamper-rescuers-at-crash-scene_2012-07-23.html)

31. *July 23, Associated Press* – (California) **Demonstrators protest California police shooting.** Demonstrators stormed a police department in Orange County, California, July 22 to protest an officer-involved shooting that left an unarmed man dead and led to a violent clash between witnesses and police. A crowd swarmed the Anaheim Police headquarters' lobby as the chief held a news conference to discuss what happened the night before. The protesters chanted as officers stood by and watched. The chief said two officers were placed on paid leave after one of them fatally shot a man. The shooting sparked a melee in the neighborhood as some threw rocks and bottles at officers who were securing the scene for investigators to collect evidence. The department's spokesman said that as officers detained an instigator, the crowd advanced on officers so they fired bean bags and pepper balls at them. Throughout the night, police in multiple marked and unmarked squad cars attempted to control an unruly crowd gathered near the shooting scene, the Orange County Register reported. Source: <http://news.yahoo.com/demonstrators-protest-california-police-shooting-220720596.html>
32. *July 21, East Liverpool Review* – (Ohio) **Emergency systems knocked out by lightning.** During thunderstorms July 18, a lightning strike knocked out Hancock County, Ohio's emergency radio system and officials had to improvise to ensure calls were covered. As of late July 20, emergency responders were still on backup, awaiting repairs to the main system. Problems began early July 18, when severe thunderstorms rolled through the area and a lightning strike damaged a 100-foot radio tower on County Road 208. The use of telephones and cell phones made up for what was lacking in emergency dispatching that day. The tower is part of the countywide emergency radio system, which includes 9-1-1 and dispatching for the Hancock County Sheriff's Department and the six volunteer fire departments. Source: <http://www.reviewonline.com/page/content.detail/id/557919/Emergency-systems-knocked-out-by-lightning.html?nav=5008>
33. *July 21, Hayward Daily Review* – (California) **Four East Bay police stations investigate powdery substance found in mailed envelopes.** Four San Francisco East Bay police departments received a scare July 20 when envelopes filled with white powder showed up in their mail, sparking investigations from hazardous materials crews and the FBI. The substance in three of the envelopes, which were delivered to police in Hayward, San Leandro, and Berkeley, was not hazardous, officials said. A fourth envelope delivered to the Union City Police Department was given over to the U.S. Postal Service and the FBI for more investigation, the police commander said. The substance delivered to San Leandro was baking flour, a lieutenant said, but authorities did not identify the substance found at the other stations. No injuries were reported in any of the incidents, and the people who handled the envelopes have not shown any signs of illness, authorities said. Source: [http://www.mercurynews.com/breaking-news/ci\\_21120351/hayward-police-station-lobby-shut-down-after-powdery](http://www.mercurynews.com/breaking-news/ci_21120351/hayward-police-station-lobby-shut-down-after-powdery)
34. *July 21, Raleigh News & Observer* – (North Carolina) **Inmates go on hunger strike at Central Prison.** Several prisoners at Central Prison in Raleigh, North Carolina, began a hunger strike to protest medical treatment and health conditions at the prison, the

Raleigh News & Observer reported July 21. A prison spokeswoman acknowledged that nine prisoners refused six meals each as of July 19. A spokeswoman for the Department of Correction said medical professionals were alerted of the situation and staff at the prison will monitor the health and weight of the prisoners who have taken part, especially those with medical problems. In a letter, an inmate said close to 100 inmates at Central Prison planned to participate. He said one of the demands prisoners are making is to have better access to medical care and safer medical practices. He said prisoners want prison authorities to acknowledge that unsafe sexual practices take place in the prison, potentially contributing to the spread of sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS. Another demand from prisoners is to have the “law library” re-installed so prisoners can be educated about their rights, according to the inmate’s letter.

Source: <http://www.newsobserver.com/2012/07/20/2210516/threat-of-hunger-strike-at-raleighs.html>

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## **Information Technology Sector**

35. *July 21, IDG News Service* – (International) **Dropbox says no evidence of hack in investigation of spam.** Dropbox’s ongoing investigation into a possible security breach did not produce any evidence its systems were infiltrated, according to an update to the company’s user forum July 20. “As of today, we’ve found no intrusions into our internal systems and no unauthorized activity in Dropbox accounts,” said the update. Users on the forum indicated they did not receive any further spam July 20.

Source:

[http://www.macworld.com/article/1167796/dropbox\\_says\\_no\\_evidence\\_of\\_hack\\_in\\_investigation\\_of\\_spam.html](http://www.macworld.com/article/1167796/dropbox_says_no_evidence_of_hack_in_investigation_of_spam.html)

36. *July 20, IDG News Service* – (International) **Pinterest locks some user accounts due to spam outbreak.** Pinterest locked an undisclosed number of user accounts as a result of a spam outbreak, the company confirmed in an email July 20. The accounts, which “were associated with a specific piece of spam,” may have been compromised, Pinterest acknowledged. However, the company blamed recent leaks of user login credentials from other Web sites, rather than a data breach of its own. The most public recent incidents of leaked credentials involved LinkedIn and Yahoo. Approximately 6.5 million encrypted LinkedIn account passwords were posted online in early June, and 450,000 log-in credentials from Yahoo and other companies were exposed the week of June 16. July 10, Pinterest began posting advice to users in its help forum about reinstating locked accounts, which was first reported on TechCrunch. July 16, Pinterest asked users whose accounts were locked to respond to a survey. The survey was later removed. The LLSocial blog noted it did not include questions about LinkedIn or Yahoo accounts. Rather, it asked about email, Facebook, and Twitter accounts and third-party Pinterest applications, according to LLSocial. However, Pinterest appears to have received the answers it needed. The company was working on re-activating the



accounts in question, it said.

Source:

[http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9229416/Pinterest\\_locks\\_some\\_user\\_accounts\\_due\\_to\\_spam\\_outbreak](http://www.computerworld.com/s/article/9229416/Pinterest_locks_some_user_accounts_due_to_spam_outbreak)

37. *July 20, Infosecurity* – (International) **Many iOS apps access personal data without user permission.** One in five iOS applications can access a user's iPhone address book, two in five can track a user's location, and more than one in three store user data without encrypting it, all without explicit user permission, according to research by Bitdefender. A chief security researcher at the firm explained the company used its Clueful app, which enables iPhone owners to learn what apps may be using personal data inappropriately, to collect data for the study. Apple removed the Clueful app from its App Store once Bitdefender collected its iOS app statistics.

Source: <http://www.infosecurity-magazine.com/view/27091/>

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## Communications Sector

38. *July 21, Cookeville Herald Citizen* – (Tennessee) **Another copper theft at a cell tower.** A third case of copper theft at a cell phone tower was reported, according to the Cookeville Police Department in Tennessee. The thieves stole copper wire from a U.S. Cellular tower site on Bunker Hill Road July 16, according to a report by an officer. The fence around the tower was cut and copper antenna wire was cut from the fence to the tower, the report said. A U.S. Cellular employee told the officer that replacing the stolen copper would cost approximately \$3,500.

Source: [http://www.herald-citizen.com/view/full\\_story/19482132/article-Another-copper-theft-at-a-cell-tower?instance=latest\\_articles](http://www.herald-citizen.com/view/full_story/19482132/article-Another-copper-theft-at-a-cell-tower?instance=latest_articles)

39. *July 20, Miami New Times* – (Florida) **South Miami-Dade Comcast TV and Internet service is down.** Comcast service was out in a large section of the southern part Miami-Dade, due to a construction crew accidentally tearing out about 1,000 feet of fiber optic cable, the Miami New Times reported July 20. According to WFOR 4 Miami, Comcast could not say exactly how many customers were affected by the outage. The company said service would be back up by July 20.

Source: <http://blogs.miaminewtimes.com/riptide/2012/07/south-miami-dade-comcast-tv-an.php>

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## **Commercial Facilities Sector**

40. *July 23, WFXT 25 Boston* – (New Hampshire) **NH three-alarm blaze caused by smoking material displaces 80.** A fire July 22 caused by the careless disposal of smoking material displaced 80 people in Manchester, New Hampshire. Manchester Fire officials tell WFXT 25 Boston they received a call about a three-alarm fire at the Hilltop Apartments in the morning. All of the residents were able to escape on their own and there were no injuries. Officials said heat was an issue, as more work had to be done to keep firefighters hydrated. The American Red Cross assisted 7 of the 80 people displaced by the blaze.  
Source: <http://www.myfoxboston.com/story/19083837/2012/07/22/nh-three-alarm-blaze-caused-by-smoking-material-displaces-80>
41. *July 23, KPIX 5 San Francisco* – (California) **4-alarm San Jose apartment fire leaves 5 hurt.** Firefighters controlled a four-alarm apartment fire in San Jose, California, July 22 that left five people with minor injuries and displaced five dozen residents, a San Jose fire captain said. Fire crews arrived July 22 at the Del Coronado Apartments. Five residents suffered minor injuries, ranging from smoke inhalation to chest pains and shortness of breath, the fire chief said. Two were sent to nearby hospitals while three were treated and released at the scene. No firefighters were injured in the blaze. The fire appeared to have started in an upstairs unit and spread through the building's attic, the fire captain said. Twenty homes were affected by the blaze, either because power was shut off in those units or by flames and smoke. The Red Cross was on hand to offer housing assistance for the displaced residents.  
Source: <http://sanfrancisco.cbslocal.com/2012/07/23/4-alarm-san-jose-apartment-fire-leaves-5-hurt/>
42. *July 23, Associated Press* – (Colorado) **Colo. shooting suspect appears in court dazed, silent.** A man accused of going on a shooting rampage at a movie premiere July 20 appeared in court in Colorado July 23. The incident left 12 people dead and 58 others injured. The suspect is expected to be formally charged July 30. He is being held on suspicion of first-degree murder, and he could also face additional counts of aggravated assault and weapons violations. Police said the suspect began buying guns at Denver-area stores nearly 2 months before the July 20 shooting and that he received at least 50 packages in 4 months at his home and at school. He recently bought 6,000 rounds of ammunition over the Internet, the Aurora police chief said. The suspect's semiautomatic assault rifle jammed during the attack, forcing him to switch to another gun with less firepower, a federal law enforcement official told the Associated Press. A 100-round ammunition drum was found in the theater, but officials said they did not know whether it jammed or emptied. The suspect's apartment was filled with trip wires, explosive devices, and unknown liquids. Police, FBI officials, and bomb squad technicians evacuated the surrounding buildings and spent most of July 21 disabling the booby traps. Officials at the University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus were looking into whether the man used his position in a graduate program to collect hazardous materials.  
Source: <http://www.delawareonline.com/viewart/20120723/NEWS01/120723011/Colo-shooting-suspect-appears-court-dazed-silent>

43. *July 23, WBTV 3 Charlotte* – (North Carolina) **Photos inside SouthPark Mall show damage from roof collapse, flood.** A popular Charlotte, North Carolina mall is expected to fully reopen July 24 after it was evacuated and “closed indefinitely” July 20 when a section of the roof collapsed and caused the mall to flood. Safety officers, inspectors, and engineers from the Charlotte Fire Department worked through the weekend of July 21 to inspect each store to make sure their fire alarms and sprinkler systems were working before stores could reopen. A Charlotte Fire Department spokesman said when the roof collapsed in two different sections during a storm July 20, it brought down and damaged water pipes adding to the water that came into the mall. Firefighters evacuated the mall after a section of the roof collapsed.  
Source: <http://www.wmbfnews.com/story/19076809/partial-roof-collapse-reported-at-southpark-mall-evacuation-in-progress>
44. *July 22, WSET 13 Lynchburg* – (Virginia) **Roanoke fire causes estimated \$1.5 million in damage.** There are new details on the three alarm fire that destroyed a Roanoke, Virginia business July 21. About 63 people responded to the call at the General Truck Body Company. The building is a total loss. Fire crews fought the flames late into the night, until July 22. The fire was so hot that it melted two billboards. One was right next to a power line. That was when American Electric Power got involved. Eventually, power crews arrived and killed the lines, leaving almost 100 people nearby in the dark. “We’ve worked on some estimates this morning and we feel like we’re up to about \$1.5 million at this point,” Roanoke’s fire marshal said.  
Source: <http://www.wset.com/story/19085395/roanoke-fire-causes-15-million-in-damage>
45. *July 22, Associated Press* – (California) **Fog machine malfunction forces CA club evacuation.** A fog machine malfunction at a Teen Choice Awards pre-party July 21 sent six people to the hospital and forced the evacuation of the Avalon nightclub in Los Angeles. A fire department spokesman said about 400 people attended the concert when the machine released a large amount of carbon dioxide. He said that within seconds, there was zero visibility inside the club. The accident prompted the club’s staff to evacuate the venue. A total of six people were taken to the hospital for problems ranging from headaches, dizziness, shortness of breath, and cryogenic burns.  
Source: <http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5ijpS7fFvm9tENvw5-Q1VRVUBCsow?docId=99f654d79fe74120a0f75713be9e6aa4>

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## **National Monuments and Icons Sector**

46. *July 21, Associated Press* – (North Carolina) **Roads open in NC national fire where fire burned.** All roads in the Croatan National Forest in North Carolina were reopened after being closed because of a nearly month-long wildfire that was fully contained, the Associated Press reported July 21. The Daily News of Jacksonville reported the areas and roads around the fire reopened. The fire began June 17 from a prescribed burn of 1,500 acres that went out of control, ultimately burning more than 21,000 acres of the 160,000-acre forest.

Source: <http://www.sacbee.com/2012/07/21/4647231/roads-open-in-nc-national-fire.html>

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## **Dams Sector**

47. *July 21, Santa Cruz Sentinel* – (California) **Fire breaks out on levee near downtown Santa Cruz.** A fire broke out July 21 on the San Lorenzo River levee in Santa Cruz, California, scorching an area of brush and “light fuel” about 100 feet by 75 feet, Santa Cruz fire officials said. The fire began in the afternoon and firefighters were on scene for about 2 hours, making sure it was extinguished, the battalion chief said. The fire burned some bushes and created a lot of smoke, prompting reports from other areas. The cause of the blaze is being investigated, but the fire was in an area marked by homeless camps, the fire chief said.

Source: [http://www.santacruzsentinel.com/localnews/ci\\_21128733/fire-breaks-out-levee-near-downtown-santa-cruz](http://www.santacruzsentinel.com/localnews/ci_21128733/fire-breaks-out-levee-near-downtown-santa-cruz)

48. *July 21, Fort Lauderdale Sun Sentinel* – (Florida) **Safety concerns linger as Lake Okeechobee dike fix drags on.** After 5 years of construction costing more than \$360 million, safety concerns remain about Lake Okeechobee’s ailing dike heading into the peak of another hurricane season, the South Florida Sun-Sentinel reported July 21. The Army Corps of Engineers contends the work so far bolstered a key portion of Lake Okeechobee’s dike, improving its ability to protect south Florida from flooding. However, the dike is still considered an “unacceptable risk,” according to the corps. The dike, about 30 feet tall in some areas, essentially converted Lake Okeechobee into south Florida’s largest retention pond. Army Corps officials said they are on track to complete the entire 21-mile wall section by the end of 2013 as planned. “We have made some major steps,” said an Army Corps project manager for the dike repair project. “We have got a lot of work that is in the pipeline. We are addressing it as quickly as we can.” A study aimed at determining how to proceed with dike repairs is expected to last until 2014.

Source: [http://articles.sun-sentinel.com/2012-07-21/news/fl-lake-okeechobee-dike-delays-20120721\\_1\\_lake-okeechobee-dike-dike-repairs-herbert-hoover-dike](http://articles.sun-sentinel.com/2012-07-21/news/fl-lake-okeechobee-dike-delays-20120721_1_lake-okeechobee-dike-dike-repairs-herbert-hoover-dike)

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